(d) what is it;

(e) what action has been taken with respect to each of the above resolutions;

(f) whether the requests embodied in the resolutions have been sanctioned; and if not,

(g) what is the reason for not doing so?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) A copy is appended. (*Appendix VII*).

(c) Not known.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) No separate action was taken on the resolutions because the question raised in it had already been engaging the consideration of Government.

(f) and (g). Government have not passed final orders on the question.

Accommodation in Mental Hospital.

285. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:

(1) whether their attention has been called to the article under the heading "ഗവൺമെണ്ട് ഭ്രാന്താശുപത്രി" by "Deenabandhu" on page 2 of the Mahathi newspaper of May 13, 1933;

(2) whether it is a fact that the building is constructed to house only 54 patients;

(3) whether it is a fact that there are more than 110 patients now in the hospital;

(4) whether more than one patient is put up in one cell;

(5) whether the patients are allowed to fight each other;

(6) is there any truth in saying that the patients do not get washed for want of water?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(1) Yes.

(2) There are 42 rooms available within the premises.

(3) There are 110 patients now.

(4) Yes.

(5) No; Violent patients are accommodated in single rooms and harmless ones according to space available; but at times a patient may suddenly become violent and harm his roommates.

(6) No. There is scarcity of water during hot weather, when such of those lunatics as can safely be taken out are given their baths outside the premises and women and other patients are bathed within the hospital.

Ferry rates at Karupadanna ferry.

286. Mr. M. A. Chakko.—Will the Government be pleased to state what are the rates that the Karupadanna ferry contractor is empowered to charge for ferrying passengers and things to Cranganur and Pulloot?

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Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—The Member is referred to the Diwan's Notification dated 11th Karkadagam 1083, published in Supplement to Part I of the Cochin Government Gazette, dated 24th Karkadagam 1083 and clause 7 (5) of the notification regarding the auction sale of ferries published on pages 907 to 911 of the Gazette, dated 3rd Mithunam 1108.

Temporary Irrigation Division Assistant Engineer—Schemes of—action on.

287. **Mr. P. Raman Menon**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Assistant Engineer of the Temporary Irrigation Division has formulated any schemes for the approval of the Government;

(b) if there are any schemes submitted, what action the Government has taken with reference to them?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) Vide statement attached. (*Appendix VIII*).

Temporary Irrigation staff—work of.

288. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Council table the notes of inspection of the work of the temporary Irrigation staff, if any, submitted by the Chief Engineer to the Government and the orders of the Government thereon?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—All works done by the Irrigation staff are directed by the Chief Engineer and scrutinised by him and submitted to Government. A list of such works showing the Government orders thereon is appended to the answer to the previous question (Question No. 287).

Commutation rates in respect of British tenants.

289. **Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) what is the rate at which paddy is now commuted in the case of tenants cultivating Cochin lands in British territory;

(b) how long ago this rate was fixed;

(c) what is the current rate at which paddy is sold now?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) 8 annas per parah.

(b) In 1098, to take effect from 1st Chingam 1099.

(c) 6 annas per parah.

Transfer of areas to the Department of Public Health.

290. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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